Town of Lyme Water Board Meeting Minutes March 27, 2025

Town Board Members present: Jim Millington, Julie Gosier, Don Bourquin

Water Board Members Present: Kathy Dyer, Randy Gardner, Renee Petty, Dwight Goutremout, Dawn Munk

Representative from Barton and Loguidice: Matt Cooper

This joint meeting of the Town Board and the Water Board was called to order at 6:00pm. Approximately 16members of the public were present to discuss the interest surveys, which were sent in November, regarding areas of possible interest and feasibility for new water district development. They were given privilege of the floor. All or most of the attendees were there to discuss their opposition to development in the area of Lott's Point, Lott's Grove, and the western side of Three Mile Point. They spoke of the fact that they have wells that are sufficient for their needs. They do not find municipal water in the area necessary or affordable and expressed many concerns about constuction. There was much discussion of the reason for the survey, specifically to determine where there is enough interest as well as where there is practical feasibility in order to determine whether to go forward.

Matt Cooper, Vice President and engineer with Barton and Logiudice, addressed the residents in attendance regarding the process of developing water districts, where there is enough density of population, and where there is the most interest/need. He also described what funding sources are available, the process for applying for grants and loans and which grants would be most beneficial. Town Board members also advised attendees of the process the Town would take to determine whether to move forward. Ultimately, the decision would be made by the votes of residents of the areas chosen. However, that is all a long way off and we are now only in the early stages of the process.

Matt advised Town and Water Board members of the next steps in the process and a timeline. The next Town Board meeting is April 9,2025. The next Water Board meeting is April 23, 2025.

Dawn Munk